

N. Y. A. C. FAVORED TO WIN JUNIORS

Boston, Chicago and Los Angeles Clubs in Championships To-day.

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The stage is set for the annual track and field championships of the Amateur Athletic Union.

Last night the track was swept, waxed and rolled and put in ideal shape for the struggles for the junior laurels to-day. To-night the course will get another conditioning and if the cracks who will battle for senior titles to-morrow fail to uncock a wholesale wrecking of record it will not be the fault of the course over which they are to run.

Most of the athletic experts are of the

opinion that to-day's junior championships will see a close struggle for team laurels among the New York A. C., Boston A. A. and Chicago A. A., with the Mercury Footers winning the trophy by a small margin and the wearers of the Winged Unicorn and the Cherry C. fighting it out for second place. The small but classy Los Angeles A. C. team may cause an upset. The Irish American A. C., while not having as strong a junior team as usual, is dangerous.

While the real meeting of the champions will not take place until tomorrow, when the senior events are run, to-day's battle among the juniors should result in some stellar competition. There are several cracks who are eligible to compete in the juniors who stand just as good a chance of repeating as the

Both H. N. Williams, the Spokane A. C. youngster who conquered Howard Drew in the 100 at the recent Western tryouts in San Diego, and Andy Ward of the Chicago A. A., who breasted the worsted ahead of Joe Loomis at the Central Association championships, will break from the barrier in the 100 yard junior national championship today.

Following his defeat of Drew in heat and final at San Diego, tearing the tape in 9 4-5 seconds, young Williams went out and ran the cream of the sea crabs into the ground in the 220 hanging up 21 4-5 seconds. His chance in the 220 to-day are just as rosy as in the 100.

Only Few Odds-on Favorites.
There are only a few events which have odds-on favorites to-day. Most of them are decidedly open, with the field closely matched. Earl Thomson, the remarkable young hurdler of the Los Angeles A. C., looks to have a lead position in the 120 yard high hurdles to-day, and has an even chance of beating the great Simpson, Kelly and Fred Mc

on account of his recent defeat. Homer Baker in the senior Metropolitan Larry Scudder has been made a favorite for the junior national half mile championship this afternoon, though if Hoesch of the Frisco Calodontias comes

he will be a most dangerous competitor. The Californian last night was doubtful whether he would start in the half mile, saying he thought he would put all of his efforts on the 440 yard hurdles.

There are several of the crack athletes who are in jail and they want to compete tomorrow. They are allowed to make post entries. Many of the New York A. C. and Irish A. C. crack athletes have been soldiering in the courts since the seventies. They are in their regiments. I have sampled athletes among their members and many of them may be home and compete tomorrow.

As a result of their previous broken terms their junior standing. The entrants were declared by the committee last night to be ineligible to

After this afternoon "Red" program in Chicago, A. C. pole sautéed Howard the new York Times photo reporter, Egan, the Irish American A. C. "Alto" Porterfield, the German-born H. C. "Babe" and Herb Friel, the Missouri A. C. "Babe" jumper, were the athletes to lead the way to compete today in the 100-yard sprint. Jimmy Patterson and "Skeeter" from Baltimore A. C. also were named as eligibility of the two was in question. The Baltimore aggregation, however, is not to compete as their star was ineligible to compete as a "Red" athlete.

Fine Field in Mile Run.

One of the warmest struggles for junior laurels to-day should result in a tie between the two favorites, D. Carroll and one mile run. The field appears to be wonderfully closely matched. Among the entrants are H. L. Carroll of the University of Michigan and New York A. C. who is second to Windings in the great mile run, and the two interestingly named ships: A. D. Colby of the Harvard and Fred and Gordon of the New York A. C. Paul La Fuma of the Montebello.

It will be a case of father vs. son as M. C. Gennert and A. C. Gennert of New York A. C. clash in the 150-pound hammer throw this afternoon. Father and son are ten years apart, and the seven-year duel between them will be the only one in "Pop" Gennert says he doesn't want to win, however, as long as the family captures the championship.

The junior national high jump pole at ternson should produce a great crowd among Walter Whalen of the Boston Club, A. A. Miller of the Boston Club, Earl Thomson and a Frenchman, J. H. Los Angeles, A. C. and H. W. Watson of the Bronx Church House.

Watkins of the Los Angeles A. C. to have a better high jump than most of the others, including Watkins. Most of the experts looking for a man to win the pole vault.

"Junior" National championship is relating to the juvenile, some persons are imagining that age required in the rank and that most of the competitors are boys. Dr. Deane Jensen, of the New York A. C. and Harry Clarke, of the Chicago A. C., both of whom are entered in the 100-pound weight division, are athletes who were in the first generation of slender path knights who in the crowding clothes

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